

SUBJECTS.

is requested to put what he has said in writing and send same to that officer. The tariff value of *copra* will not be raised.

III. PROTECTION.**(1) Legislation.**

21. Appointment of a Member in the Legislative Council to represent the Jenmies.

Mr. Eravithayar Pandarathil (Member, Jenmies of Quilon Division) said that there was at present no Member in the Legislative Council to represent the *Jenmies* and their interests and consequently they were undergoing several difficulties. The *Jenmies* were the owners of the bulk of landed properties in the State. In the Madras Legislative Council, there was a *Jenmi* Member. The Member said that in Travancore, he and others of his class were the real *Jenmis*, the other holders of land being in the nature of *Kudiyans*. The Laws and Regulations therefore affected them chiefly. Under the rules regarding the constitution of the Council it was possible to put in a *Jenmi* Member. In consideration of the above facts, and having regard to the present condition of the *Jenmies*, he requested that a Member might be appointed in the Council to represent the interests of *Jenmies*.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

22. Amendment of the Jenmi and Kudiyans Regulation.

Mr. Narayanar Kadambar Nambooripad (Member, Jenmies of the Kottayam Division) said that the difficulties experienced by the *Jenmies* of Travancore were very great as the tenants were intentionally harassing the former by not paying them the customary dues. When pressed for the *michavarom*, *adukuvathu* and other dues, they usually questioned the right of the *Jenmi* to claim the dues, thereby giving rise to unnecessary litigation. The Member therefore requested that Section 17 of the Jenmi and Kudiyans Regulation might be amended, so as to enforce the payment of the *michavarom*, *adukuvathu* and other dues at stated periods and the recovery of double the dues from the *Kudiyans* in the event of default. The Member then said that Section 22 (a) of the Regulation also required modification, as that Section laid down that the *pattom* on paddy lands should not exceed one-fourth of the gross produce. He said that the one-fourth *pattom* was too low and that the tenants could in no way be aggrieved if the *pattom* were raised to one-half, because landed proprietors other than the Brahmin *Jenmies* were realising one-half or even more as *pattom* on their lands. He therefore requested that the Government might carefully